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SUBJECT: KAUNDA VISIT

REF: A. LUSAKA 288; B. LUSAKA 577; C. STATE 54766;
D. LUSAKA 679

1. MAY 17-18 ARE APPROVED DATES FOR PRESIDENT'S PARTICI-
PATION IN KAUNDA STATE VISIT. PLEASE CONFIRM ACCEPTANCE.

2. AFTER WASHINGTON SEGMENT, TOUR WOULD BE SCHEDULED
TO INCLUDE AREAS/ACTIVITIES OF INTEREST INCLUDING
MARTIN LUTHER KING AWARD PRESENTATION (PRESUMABLY IN
ATLANTA).

3. FYI: AT PRESENT, WE REMAIN FAIRLY CERTAIN THAT
PRESIDENT SENGHOR WILL DECLINE THE YALE DEGREE, AND BE-
LIEVE THAT YALE WILL THEN RENEW ITS OFFER TO KAUNDA. BUT
WE CANNOT BE CERTAIN, AND HAVE THUS FAR REFRAINED FROM
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ENCOURAGING THE ZAMBIANS (INCLUDING FM MWALE) TO COUNT
ON IT,

THOUGH WE HAVE NOT SOUGHT TO DISCOURAGE THEM EITHER.
IN ANY CASE, WE ASSUME THAT IF THE YALE DEGREE IS NOT
FORTHCOMING WE CAN ARRANGE FOR THE KING AWARD PRESENTA-
TION TO TAKE ITS PLACE ON THE CALENDAR. END FYI.

4. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO ADVISE GRZ OF WHITE HOUSE
SCHEDULING OF PRESIDENTIAL MEETINGS
MAY 17-18, AND TO SUGGEST OUTLINES OF SCHEDULE AFTER
WASHINGTON SEGMENT AS GIVEN ABOVE. WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE
YOUR SOLICITING GRZ VIEWS ON PLACES AND/OR ACTIVITIES
OF INTEREST TO PRESIDENT KAUNDA FOLLOWING WASHINGTON
SEGMENT. IF GRZ RAISES QUESTION OF THE YALE DEGREE,
DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT YOU SHOULD SAY THAT WE HAVE
NO INFORMATION ON THAT SUBJECT FROM YALE AS YET, BUT
ANTICIPATE NO DIFFICULTY ADDING IT TO VISIT SCHEDULE
IF AN OFFER MATERIALIZES.

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